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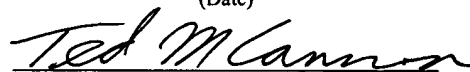
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Reasons for Allowance in the Notice of Allowability mailed August 7, 2006, Applicants respectfully submit the following comments.

General Comments

Applicants note the Examiner's statement that the prior art of record fails to teach:

an online product auction system comprising an auction center, said auction center includes a microprocessor operably connected to a storage media, said product auction system comprising a first bid data for said first product, said first bid data includes a first bid and a second bid, said first bid [sic: bid] is greater than said current high bid value, and said second bid is greater than said first bid, and a second bid data for said first product, said second bid data includes a third bid and a fourth bid, said third bid is greater than said current high bid value, and said fourth bid is greater than said third bid, and a bid processing module which calculates and updates said current high bid for said first product, a start minimum bid; a low minimum bid; a current minimum bid; wherein the current minimum bid, at the start of an auction, is equal to the start minimum bid. (Examiner's August 7, 2006 Notice of Allowability at page 3.)

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Applicants do not interpret the Examiner's statement to mean or to imply that the limitations explicitly listed by the Examiner are the only limitations that distinguish the allowed claims from the prior art of record.

Applicants note that the Examiner characterized the Fisher et al. patent on pages 2 and 3 of the Notice of Allowability. Applicants do not necessarily agree with and do not acquiesce in the Examiner's characterization of the Fisher et al. patent.

Reservation of Rights

Applicants reserve the right to present arguments contrary to the Examiner's characterization of the prior art of record during the prosecution of any descendant application. Applicants also reserve the right to present claims in any descendant application that lack some or all of the limitations explicitly listed by the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,

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